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Professional Licensing Proceedings

Medical

In the Matter of Ervin Lepko, M.D.

On March 7, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board suspended the medical license of Ervin Lepko, M.D. for one year based upon his plea of guilty to committing health care fraud.

In the Matter of Kenneth Zahl, M.D.

On April 11, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board revoked the medical license of Kenneth Zahl, M.D. for fraudulent billing and collecting disability insurance benefits while still working. The action has been stayed pending appeal.

In the Matter of Alan Ottenstein, M.D.

On August 13, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board temporarily suspended the medical license of Alan Ottenstein, M.D. in part for alleged possession of explosives, a stun gun, loaded hand guns and more than a pound of marijuana in his office.

In the Matter of Irvin Gerson, M.D.

On September 19, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board permitted the permanent retirement of the medical license of Irvin Gerson, M.D. for billing insurance companies for neurodiagnostic tests performed by unlicensed individuals.

In the Matter of Chidi Anukwuem, M.D.

On September 22, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board suspended the license of Chidi Anukwuem, M.D. for six months based upon his excessive

prescribing of Serostim and Medicaid billings of over \$2 million. The suspension has been stayed.

In the Matter of Sanford Weinger, D.P.M.

On October 16, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board indefinitely suspended the podiatric license of Sanford Weinger, D.P.M. for billing insurance companies for eight years during which he did not possess a current podiatric license.

In the Matter of Jonathan Siegel, D.P.M.

On December 2, 2003, the New Jersey Medical Board revoked the podiatric license of Jonathan Siegel, D.P.M. *nunc pro tunc* to February 24, 1999, after being convicted of committing insurance fraud.

Chiropractic

In the Matter of Daniel Catanzaro, D.C.

On January 30, 2003, the New Jersey Chiropractic Board suspended the license of Daniel Catanzaro, D.C. for five years, with the first three years active, for fraudulent insurance billing.

In the Matter of Nicholas Rosania, D.C.

On June 19, 2003, the New Jersey Chiropractic Board suspended the license of Nicholas Rosania, D.C. for five years based upon his criminal convictions for conspiracy, official misconduct and bribery in an insurance fraud scheme.

***In the Matter of
Samuel Evenstein, D.C.***

On September 18, 2003, the New Jersey Chiropractic Board suspended the license of Samuel Evenstein, D.C. for three years, with the first six months active, based upon his conviction for failing to pay New Jersey gross income tax for three years.

***In the Matter of
Roland Evans, D.C.***

On September 18, 2003, the New Jersey Chiropractic Board suspended the license of Roland Evans, D.C. for two years, with the first year active, for his criminal conviction of health care claims fraud.

***In the Matter of
Glen Poller, D.C.***

On October 1, 2003, the New Jersey Chiropractic Board suspended the license of Glen Poller, D.C. for two years based upon a criminal conviction for violating the State's statute which proscribes the hiring of "runners" to obtain patients. The suspension was stayed.

2003 Statistics

	Suspension	Revocation	Voluntary Surrender	Reprimand	Total
Accountancy	1	0	0	0	1
Chiropractic	6	0	0	1	7
Dental	2	1	0	0	3
Medical	4	4	1	2	11
Nursing	0	0	0	1	1
Pharmacy	1	2	0	0	3
Total	14	7	1	4	26



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Dental

In the Matter of John McIntyre, D.D.S.

On February 19, 2003, the New Jersey Dental Board accepted the surrender, with prejudice, of the license of John McIntyre, D.D.S. for his continued practice of dentistry and billing for services rendered during a period of suspension.

In the Matter of Ralph Sharow, D.M.D.

On February 19, 2003, the New Jersey Dental Board revoked the license of Ralph Sharow, D.M.D. upon his guilty plea to committing health care fraud and income tax evasion.

In the Matter of Michael Tsimis

On September 12, 2003, the New Jersey Dental Board suspended the license of Michael Tsimis, D.M.D. for two years, with the suspension stayed, for double billing insurance carriers for the same services on the same dates.

Nursing

In the Matter of Diane Supino, R.N.

On March 28, 2003, the New Jersey Board of Nursing reprimanded Diane Supino, R.N. for her having knowingly provided false and misleading information in support of the staged theft of her vehicle.

Pharmacy

In the Matter of Manuprasad Parikh, R.P.

On December 1, 2003, the New Jersey Board of Pharmacy accepted the surrender of the license of Manuprasad Parikh, R.P. to be deemed a revocation, based on his criminal conviction for Medicaid fraud.

Audiologists
 Speech-language pathologists
 Chiropractors
 Dentists
 Dental Assistants (registered and limited registered)
 Dental Hygienists
 Dental Teachers
 Interns and Residents studying dentistry
 Marriage and Family Therapists
 Alcohol and Drug Counselors
 Medical doctors
 Doctors of Osteopathy
 Podiatrists
 Bio-analytical Laboratory Directors
 Acupuncturists
 Athletic Trainers
 Nurse Midwives
 Hearing Aid Dispensers
 Physicians Assistants
 Practical Nurses
 Registered Nurses
 Nurse Anesthetists
 Nurse Practitioners
 Homemaker—Home Health Aides
 Occupational Therapists
 Ophthalmic Dispensers
 Ophthalmic Technicians
 Ophthalmic Dispenser and Technician Apprentices
 Optometrists
 Orthotists
 Prosthetists
 Pharmacists
 Physical Therapists
 Physical Therapist Assistants
 Psychologists
 Respiratory Therapists

Loss of New Jersey License: A Major Penalty

About 600,000 New Jerseyans hold licenses to practice their profession in the state. Their activities are regulated by 38 boards. The Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor reports all persons in the 80 professions and occupations requiring a license suspected of committing insurance fraud to the appropriate board. The boards have some discretion in deciding whether to revoke their licenses, but their standards of proof are also lower than those required in a criminal court of law.

In short, anyone who commits Insurance Fraud in New Jersey faces the possibility of losing the right to practice their profession — in addition to any criminal and civil penalties that may be assessed.

Moreover, this penalty may be assessed even if the fraud does not involve the profession itself.

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 Licensed Social Workers
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 Certified Public Accountants
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 Landscape Architects
 Cemetery Operators and Salespersons (non-religious)
 Cosmetologists
 Barbers
 Beauticians
 Manicurists
 Beauty School Teachers and Students
 Electrical Contractors
 Fire and Burglar Alarm Installers
 Master Plumbers
 Funeral Directors
 Funeral Director Trainees
 Professional Engineers
 Engineers in Training
 Land Surveyors
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 Home Movers
 Warehousemen
 Licensed Real Estate Appraisers
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